# INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING THE APPLICATION FOR CHILD NUTRITION PROGRAMS

Please read the instructions carefully. The Application consists of pages to be completed and returned with appropriate attachments. One copy is to be completed with original signatures and returned to the State Agency. A copy of the application packet and an approval letter from the South Dakota Department of Education, Child and Adult Nutrition Services, will be sent to you after it has been determined that the information meets all guidelines and regulations.

Return the Application according to the due date in the upper left corner Review of information and approval of the Application is a lengthy process. During this time, the State must secure and approve your materials if changed from the prototypes in Policy Statement Attachments B, C, and D. Your cooperation in submitting them on time and with accuracy will be sincerely appreciated. If you deviate from any of the attachments (letter to parents, application form, etc.), you must secure the permission of Child and Adult Nutrition Services prior to releasing them for distribution.

The application is available on the website for downloading and completing on your own computer at doe.sd.gov/oess/cans/. Go to the appropriate program (CACFP, NSLP, SMP, SFSP to access the electronic version. Note there are changes from the prior year if you are using a previous copy. Original signatures or agency- approved electronic signatures are acceptable. The application can be submitted on paper or electronically.

# **COMBINED APPLICATION -- PART 1**

All agencies complete and return <u>one</u> copy of Part 1, regardless of how many programs the agency operates. This section has general information about all programs.

## A. LOCAL AGENCY DATA

Addresses and Phone Numbers - this is information for the local agency where mail will be sent for the authorized representatives for all programs the agency operates unless changes are noted on page 2.

The second address requested is one for package delivery. This applies to agencies that use a PO Box for their mail. A street address is required for packages sent through package delivery services.

1. <u>Local Agency Status</u> - Indicate which of the listed items applies to the agency status. Include any required attachments. <u>New agencies that are private nonprofit</u> must provide proof of their tax-exempt status under section 501(c)3 of the amended IRS code.

#### B. PROGRAMS

Check the program(s) the local agency is applying to operate. The Food Distribution Program (commodities) box should be checked if the SFA or SFSP agency plans to order commodities. It is possible that the Local Agency is not aware of all Summer Food Service Program plans for summer. The application can be amended to add/change/delete as the time to operate the program draws nearer.

# C. MEAL/MILK COUNT METHOD

It is imperative that all agencies maintain a reliable method for taking meal counts each day at each meal service. There are many acceptable methods for completing meal counts. Check whether point of service is used or an alternate method will be used.

Point-of-service means that point in the food service operation where a determination can accurately be made that a reimbursable free, reduced-price, or paid meal, or free or paid milk has been served to an eligible child. This is traditionally at the end of the serving line.

Alternate systems mean the count is taken in a different manner. Alternate systems must be approved by CANS. A couple of examples: 1) Meals are served family style and the names of children are checked on the roster immediately after they have been served. 2) Tickets are taken or roster is checked off at the beginning of the meal service line and the last person in the line or a lunchroom supervisor makes sure that all children have the right number of food items on their trays. 3) Children are seated and their individual meals are brought to them. The names of children are checked on the roster immediately after they have been served. Provide additional information to describe any alternate systems used by each site in the Local Agency.

If your SFA uses a computer software program for daily meal counts please provide the name of the software program or package. CANS often times gets requests from schools and agencies for what programs are being used in South Dakota. The information provided can help CANS give assistance. The information is not released to any companies.

# D. PRODUCTION RECORDS

Production records must be maintained for all child nutrition programs, except the Special Milk Program and in day care homes. A prototype has been provided by the State Agency (CANS) for each program. The one for school meals can be found in SD NSLP Memo #9A. CACFP is in the production records book, and SFSP is distributed at training. If that prototype is used, check that box. If the local agency has developed its own production record or is using one from a company (such as a computerized method), check the alternate form box and include a copy of what is used.

#### E. PERSONNEL

This item requests information for personnel for all programs and the address and contact for commodity delivery. Sometimes the same person is responsible for all areas of all programs. If that is the case, it is not necessary to complete the information repeatedly. Just write "same" on the top line of that section. The names of the programs are in the columns and the information being requested relative to each program is listed in the rows on the left.

NOTE, the form this year asks you to provide the name and e-mail for someone who can be a second contact person when the first person may not be available. This is only needed for those agencies that have one person responsible for all areas. This would be used only in emergency situations.

 <u>Authorized Representative</u> is the person designated and authorized by the governing board to enter into contracts on behalf of the local agency and must be administratively responsible to Child and Adult Nutrition Services for all administration and operation terms of the Child Nutrition Programs. A separate mailing address for the authorized representatives can be listed.

- <u>Claim Representative</u> This is the person responsible for completing the claims for reimbursement and the person who should be contacted in case of questions regarding the claim. Mail for the claim representative is sent to the main address from page 1.
- <u>Food Service Director</u> is the person responsible for food service/nutrition program
  operations at the local agency. This person will receive the commodity order blank. This
  person is sometimes located in a different building. A separate address can be used for
  this person. A separate page will come with the first order blank requesting information
  for emergency contact information, second party contact, and commodity order
  information.
- Commodity Delivery Address is the physical address where the commodities will be delivered if the agency receives commodities. Fill in the appropriate blanks if the contact person, delivery address, or any other information related to the commodity delivery is different from information provided previously. Child and Adult Care Food Program and Special Milk Programs do not receive commodities. If there are multiple delivery addresses, please add a page with the appropriate information. The charge for each extra drop is \$50.

## F. SITE SUMMARY

This item asks for the name of <u>each attendance center</u> and some relevant information. Each attendance center should be listed, whether or not they are all in the same building. Generally, the attendance centers listed should be the same as those reported to the Department of Education. You will use these same sites when you complete the October Survey of Data. Attendance centers that are split between buildings should be noted and separate information provided for them on this application. The columns on the left list the various programs in which a site can participate. The city is needed to help identify the site. On the NSLP section, check if the site offers snack after school as part of the National School Lunch Program. Attach additional pages if necessary.

The type of center varies by program.

CHILD AND ADULT CARE FOOD
PROGRAM
ADCC Adult Day Care Center
ASC After School Care
CC Child Care Center
CCCH Child Care Center - Head Start &
Early Head Start
CCCO Child Care Center - Other
DCH Day Care Home
GFDCH - Group Family Day Care Home
ES - Emergency Shelter
OSH Outside School Hours
XX - Title XX for Profit Center

SCHOOL NUTRITION PROGRAMS
(NATIONAL SCHOOL LUNCH, SCHOOL
BREAKFAST,)
RCCI - Residential Child Care Institution
EL SCH - Elementary School
MSCH - Middle School
JHSCH - Junior High School
PSCH - Pre School
SHSCH - Senior High School

SPECIAL MILK ONLY

NPN - Nonprofit Nursery

SC - Summer Camp

EL SCH - Elementary School

MSCH - Middle School

JHSCH - Junior High School

SHSCH - Senior - High School

PSCH - Pre School

SH - Settlement House

**SVCI - Service Institution** 

SUMMER FOOD SERVICE PROGRAM

CAMP - Residential Camp

ENRL - Enrollment Site

MIGR - Migrant

NRC - Nonresidential Camp

NYSP - National Youth Sports Program

OPEN - Needy Area

The Begin Date and End Date are the beginning dates of the program and the end date of the program. The agreement covers the federal fiscal year of October 1 through September 30. We realize the end date may be an estimate based on schedule changes, such as make-up for bad weather.

Operating Days per Week - Circle which days per week is this attendance center open.

Total Number of Operating Days - How many days per year does this attendance center intend to operate?

## G. CONTRACTS

List any contracts that were answered with a "yes". Attach a copy of that contract for approval.

## H. ATTACHMENTS

Include copies of required documentation and check which documents are attached. New Local Agencies that are private nonprofit must provide proof of their tax-exempt status under section 501(c)3 of the amended IRS code. The verification and edit checks are no longer requested as forms and procedures for that are standardized for all schools. If you wish to have an alternate edit check form reviewed, that can be sent in with such a note.

#### I. AUTHORITY

The authority for program operation is provided in Section I.

## J. ASSURANCES

This section provides assurances that the program will be operated according to program requirements, and that the agency has not been suspended or debarred.

Complete and return one copy of the combined application with the appropriate Part 2 (Specific Program Sections) and Part 3 (Site Information Sections) to

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